

# Gambling & Regulatory



A collage of gambling-related items including red dice, blue and green chips, and a roulette wheel, set against a dark background. The image is partially obscured by a large blue diagonal shape that serves as a background for the title.

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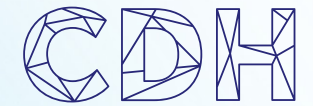
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## Sector Overview

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Businesses must comply with the National Gambling Act 7 of 2004, as well as the relevant provincial laws. Without the right licences, they cannot legally operate. Getting these licences – and keeping them – is a detailed process.

## OUR SERVICE

At Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr (CDH), we understand the broader picture. With over 20 years of experience advising clients in the gambling sector, we help businesses thrive within the law. Our team offers a wide range of legal services tailored to the needs of this sector.

We help clients to:



**Apply for and renew gambling licences.**



**Navigate the terms and conditions of requests for proposals relating to the issuing of gambling licences.**



**Challenge regulatory decisions through legal review processes.**



**Prepare written submissions for public hearings.**



**Understand and comply with gambling legislation.**

Our deep understanding of the legislative framework ensures that you get reliable legal guidance, every step of the way.



# SPORTS BETTING

*"The firm offers a high level of individual attention and care to each client, offering proactive and solution-based advice."*

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## Our approach

We support our clients in managing risk and staying compliant. We advise on the legislative framework that governs gambling in South Africa and represent clients in legal processes involving gambling boards. We also offer guidance for interacting with regulators and provincial licensing authorities.

Staying on top of the current legal environment is essential. We help you to be informed and prepared.



## Why choose CDH?

What sets CDH apart is not only our long track record as a leading corporate and commercial law firm, but our team's deep knowledge of the gambling industry and ability to offer sound legal advice.

We also work with teams from across our firm to leverage their expertise in other legal disciplines. For instance, we work with our Corporate & Commercial team on contracts and company law matters, ensuring clients benefit from fully integrated legal support.

## MARKET RECOGNITION

*Our Dispute Resolution team is externally praised for its depth of resources, capabilities and experience.*

*Chambers Fintech 2026* ranked our Fintech sector in Kenya and South Africa in Band 2.

*Chambers Africa Awards 2025* ranked us 'South African Full-Service Law Firm of the Year' for Dispute Resolution.

*Chambers Global 2022–2026* ranked us in Band 2 for dispute resolution.

*Chambers Global 2018–2026* ranked us in Band 2 for restructuring/insolvency.

*Chambers Global 2022–2026* ranked us in Band 3 for insurance.

*Chambers Global 2020* ranked us in Band 2 for public procurement.

*Chambers Global 2020–2022* ranked us in Band 3 for media & broadcasting.

*Chambers Global 2020–2026* ranked us in Band 3 for corporate investigations.

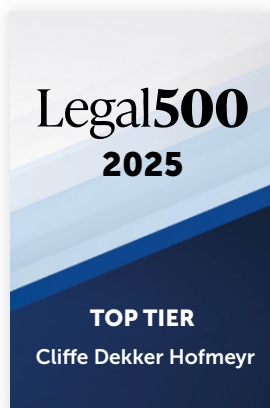
*The Legal 500 EMEA 2017–2025* recommended us in Tier 1 for dispute resolution.

*The way we support and interact with our clients attracts significant external recognition.*

**Rishaban Moodley** is the Practice Head of our Dispute Resolution team and Head of our Gambling & Regulatory Compliance sector.

*Chambers Global 2026* ranked Rishaban in Band 3 for administrative & public law.

*The Legal 500 EMEA 2016–2025* recommended Rishaban for dispute resolution.



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**BBBEE STATUS:** LEVEL ONE CONTRIBUTOR

Our BBBEE verification is one of several components of our transformation strategy and we continue to seek ways of improving it in a meaningful manner.

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